Alcan Aluminum Corporation



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November 14, 1995

Joseph Cosentino, OSC Removal Action Branch Emergency and Remedial Response Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region II 2890 Woodbridge Avenue Edison, New Jersey 09937

Re: Bayonne Barrel & Drum Site (New Jersey)

Dear Mr. Cosentino:

Below is Alcan Aluminum Corporation's Response to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Request for Information regarding the above-referenced Site.

- 1a & b Alcan Aluminum Corporation ("Alcan"). Alcan was the surviving entity of a merger between Alcan Aluminum Corporation, a New York corporation, and Alcan Properties, Inc. an Ohio corporation.
 - c Robert L. Ball, President
 100 Erieview Plaza, 29th Floor
 Cleveland, Ohio 44114
 The Board of Directors of Alcan does not have a chairman position.
 - d See Attachment A, which is identified as Exhibit No. 21 to Form 10-K of Alcan Aluminium Limited. Due to the number of entries identified on Attachment A, further response to this request will be supplemented.
 - e Alcan, f/d/b/a/Alcan Building Products, was purchased by Gentek Building Products, Inc. in 1994.
 - f Not Applicable.
- 2a b To our knowledge, Alcan has never transacted business with Bayonne barrel and drum.



- 3 Robert Fixter, Vice President-Compliance S & W Waste, Inc. 115 Jacobies Avenue South Kearing, New Jersey 07032 (201) 334-4004
- 4 Lawrence A. Salibra, Senior Counsel Alcan Aluminum Corporation. Mr. Salibra was consulted on all of the questions.

William E. Vallier, Technical Manger. Mr. Vallier was consulted on questions Nos. 1f, 2 b x and 7.

- 5 Alcan is insured through our parent Alcan Aluminium Limited, which is head quartered in Montreal, Canada. We are currently in litigation over the issue of coverage. No insurer has admitted coverage for CERCLA liability. In addition, for all policies at risk after 1972 a pollution exclusion clause was included for pollution that was not sudden and accidental.
- 6 Alcan is continuing to investigate sources for information responsive to this question. Due to the recent sale of Alcan Building Products to Gentek Building Products, Inc., records dating back to the time in question are not readily available.
- 7 See Attachment "B".

Very truly yours,

Jah D. Kuga

John D. Yeager

Corporate Litigation Administrator

JDY:wp **Enclosure**

cc w/encl.: Marc Sidenberg, Esquire Office of Regional Counsel U.S. EPA - Region II 290 Broadway, 17th Floor New York, NY 10007

CERTIFICATION OF ANSWERS TO REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted in this document (response to EPA Request for Information) and all documents submitted herewith, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate, and complete, and that all documents submitted herewith are complete and authentic unless otherwise indicated. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment.

NAME (print or type)

Senior Counsel

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Sworn to me before this 4th

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Notary Public

IRENE ANN YAKOVLEVICH Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires Nov. 4, 1997 (Recorded in Cuyahoga County)

ATTACHMENT A

EXHIBIT NO. 21.: SUBSIDIARIES, RELATED COMPANIES, ETC.

With the exception of a number of subsidiaries which, considered in the aggregate, would not constitute a significant subsidiary, the subsidiaries of Alcan, as of December 31, 1994, are listed below. All subsidiaries and joint ventures named below are consolidated in the financial statements incorporated by reference in this report. The list also includes several related companies for which Alcan reports its interest in the net income or loss of such companies. Alcan is the direct owner of the stock of each subsidiary or related company, except where the name is indented. Indentation signifies that the principal ownership by Alcan is through the company under which the indentation is made; where there is additional ownership through another company also listed below, that additional ownership is described in the end-note on page 39.

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| The Alumina Company Limited | England | 100 | |
| Aluminium Corporation Limited | England England | 100 | |
| Aluminium Sulphate Limited | England | 50 | |
| Aluminium Supply (Aerospace) Limited | England | 100 | |
| Aylesford (Packaging) Limited | England | 100 | |
| BA Chemicals Limited | England | 100 | |
| BA Finance Limited | England | 100 | |
| BA Metals Limited | England | 100 | |
| Baco Aluminium Products Limited | England | 100 | |
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| Blackburns (London) Limited | England | 100 | |
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| British Alcan Extrusions Limited | England | 50 | (11) |
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| British Alcan Wire and Conductor Limited | England | 100 | |
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| Alcan Aluminium UK Limited | England | 90 | (13) |
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| Alcan Metal Centres (Dublin) Limited | Ireland | 100 | |
| Alcan Agency Sales Limited | Ireland | 100 | |
| Magnesium Elektron Inc. | New Jersey | 100 | |
| Nikkei-Mel Co., Ltd. | Japan | 50 | (4) |
| Saratoga Resources NV | Netherland Antilles | 20 | ` ' |
| Vigelands Metal Refinery A/S | Norway | 50 | |
| Ghana Bauxite Company Limited | Ghana | 45 | |
| Isleburn Limited | Scotland | 21.7 | |
| Highland Fertilisers Limited | Scotland | 96.2 | |
| MacKay & Macleod Engineering Limited | Scotland | 100 | |
| Kinlochleven Road Transport Company Limited | Scotland | 25 | |
| The Lochaber Power Company | Scotland | 100 | |
| Venesta Foils Limited | England | 100 | |
| Vigelands Brug A/S | Norway | 100 | |
| British Aluminium Stockholders Limited | England | 50 | (11) |
| Four County Windows Limited | England | 100 | ` ' |
| Gentrin Limited | England | 100 | |
| Luxfer Holdings Limited | England | 100 | |
| Luxfer USA Limited | Delaware | 100 | |
| Superform USA Inc. | California | 100 | |
| Luxfer UK Limited | England | 100 | |
| Magnesium Elektron Limited | England | 100 | |
| Pearhouse Limited | England | 100 | |
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% of voting

| Note | Additional Ownership Through | % of voting shares held |
|------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| (1) | Alcan Aluminium Limited | 6.6 |
| | Alcan Automotive Castings, Inc. | 18.6 |
| (2) | Nippon Light Metal Company, Ltd. | 51 |
| (3) | Alcan Shannon Company | 25 |
| (4) | Nippon Light Metal Company, Ltd. | 50 |
| (5) | Alcan Aluminium Limited | 50 |
| (6) | Alcan Aluminium Limited | 47.4 |
| (7) | Alcan Aluminium S.A. | 1.5 |
| (8) | British Alcan Aluminium plc. | 30 |
| | Alcan Alluminio S.p.A. | 30 |
| (9) | Alcan Aluminium Holdings Limited | 8.9 |
| (10) | Alcan Aluminium Limited | 0.2 |
| | / Alcan Investments Limited | 0.9 |
| | Alcan Tokyo Investments Inc. | 4.5 |
| (11) | The British Aluminium Company Ltd. | 50 |
| (12) | The British Aluminium Company Ltd. | 33.3 |
| (13) | British Alcan Aluminium plc | 10 |

⁽¹⁴⁾ Nippon Light Metal Company, Ltd., Japan's largest aluminum company, has its principal operations in Japan and has subsidiaries and related companies in many countries including Canada, China, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and Brazil.

⁽¹⁵⁾ Toyo Aluminium K.K., a major Japanese manufacturer of aluminum foil, paste and powder, has its principal operations in Japan and subsidiaries and related companies in the United States, France and Korea.

ATTACHMENT B



October 31, 1995

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Mr. William Vallier GENTEK PO Box 459 Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Re: Bayonne Barrel & Drum

Dear Mr. Vallier.

In response to your October 27, 1995 letter to S & W concerning the above referred please accept the following explanation. S & W Waste, Inc. received a manifested (NJ0083924) shipment of waste from Alcan Aluminum Corp. on 11/28/81. One of the main processes at that time was for S &W to empty the drums by consolidating the waste into bulk loads for outbound shipments. These shipments were manifested off site to permitted facilities. S & W would then sell the RCRA empty drums to a drum reconditioner. Bayonne Barrel & Drum was a drum reconditioner that S &W sold it's empty drums to during this time period.

If you may have any questions concerning the above please call me at the below listed phone number at extension 272.

Sincerely.

Robert Fixter V.P. of Compliance

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